

The State Board of Education/State Board for Vocational Education held a work session on Thursday, April 17, 2014 in the Cabinet Room of the Townsend Building, Dover, Delaware.

Present were: Teri Quinn Gray, President; Gregory B. Coverdale, Jr., G. Patrick Heffernan, Randall L. Hughes, II, Barbara B. Rutt, Terry M. Whittaker and Donna R. Johnson, who serves as the State Board's Executive Director.

Also in attendance were Terry Hickey, Deputy Attorney General; Bryan Hassel, Public Impact; Lyria Boast, Public Impact; Kristin Dwyer, Delaware State Education Association; Kris Amundson, Executive Director, National Association of State Boards of Education; Christopher Ruszkowski, Ted Jarrell, Shana Young, Kate Villari, Elizabeth Jeter, Susan Haberstroh and Atnre Alleyne.

The presentation from Public Impact began at 9:10 a.m. and the work session was officially called to order at 9:49 a.m. when a quorum was present.

Research Presentation on Growth Measures

Bryan Hassel and Lyria Boast from Public Impact shared with the Board considerations for growth measures in the State accountability system. Highlighted were options for peer-referenced growth models including the Student Growth Percentile (SGP) model and the Value-Added Regression (VAM) Model. Criterion-referenced growth models included the Adequate Growth Percentile (AGP) Model, Projection Model and the Growth to Proficiency Model. Public Impact presented a comparison of the SGP/AGP model to the VAM Model using characteristics of students' past performance, academic performance framework measures as well as students with missing data and others.

Dr. Gray announced that the Board was pleased to introduce Kris Amundson, the Executive Director of the National Association of State Boards of Education, who was attending today's work session and Board meeting.

Adjournment

The work session adjourned at 11:30 a.m.